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TO AMEMBASSY LOME IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

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E.O. 11652: XGDS-4

TAGS: PFOR, MILI, PINS, TO

SUBJECT: COUP PLOT

REF: LOME 1814

FOR AMBASSADOR

1. DEPARTMENT CONCERNED BY CONTINUING ALLEGATIONS FLOATING  
IN LOME THAT USG SOMEHOW INVOLVED IN COUP PLOTTING.

2. IT APPEARS DESPITE EMBASSY'S FIRM DENIALS THAT RUMORS  
PERSIST AND THAT SOME INDIVIDUALS, SUCH AS RADICAL IN-  
TERIOR MINISTER EKLO, ARE TRYING TO PRECIPITATE PUBLIC  
CHARGE OF US INVOLVEMENT.

3. IN ORDER AVOID SITUATION DRIFTING TO WHERE WE COULD

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HAVE A REPEAT OF ZAIRE EPISODE, BELIEVE ALLEGATIONS SHOULD

BE MET HEAD ON AT HIGHEST LEVELS TO REMOVE ANY THOUGHTS  
OF USG INVOLVEMENT. REQUEST AMBASSADOR SEEK APPOINTMENT  
WITH EYADEMA UPON LATTER'S RETURN TO LOME IN ORDER TO  
ASCERTAIN WHETHER HE GIVING CREDENCE TO CHARGES AND TO  
DISAVOW FULLY AND FORCEFULLY USG INVOLVEMENT IN COUP  
PLOTTING; IF NECESSARY, STRESSING USG HAS NO INTENTION

BEING MADE SCAPEGOAT FOR GOT'S DOMESTIC POLITICAL  
TROUBLES.

4. DEPARTMENT CONCURS IN EMBASSY REPEATING REFTEL TO  
USDAO ABIDJAN. SISCO

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